

also united to some extent, for instance in their missionary work, so that they present a united front in urging upon the children to contribute to the missionary cause. Our Society has only one church in the City of Ottawa, but we are adopting the most improved plans for organization, etc., as best we can. I suppose that as we have now almost completed Methodist Union our Sunday-school will join with the other Methodist schools of the city. In our own Church we have had a Sunday-school Parliament, and it has been quite a success. I have no other special report to give from Ottawa. I wish I had been deputized to give you something special: and I think you would help us very much if you could hold a Convention at Ottawa, and give us some inspiration down there in Sunday-school work.

The PRESIDENT—Will the brother tell us how that united teachers' meeting of the four Churches is held? Is it a thing by itself?

Rev. Mr. GEORGE—Yes, there is no other service.

Rev. Mr. McEWEN—I want to supplement this brother's statement about the Ottawa valley. I happen to know every foot of that valley, both in its length and breadth. I was one of the parties who had to do with the organizing of the Ottawa Valley Association, fourteen years ago, and I was sorry to find when I visited that country this summer that that Association had lapsed—I think that is a better word than "fallen from grace." It had lapsed for two years, and they were not sure whether or not there was any breath remaining in it. However, I have this to report in connection with the people of the valley, that the counties around the city feel that the city did not give them the countenance and co-operation that the subject deserved, and furthermore that they have come to a decision, at least in the Counties of Lanark and Renfrew, in their separate capacity, to organize as counties, instead of as the Ottawa Valley Association, and are prepared to identify themselves with the Provincial Sunday-school Association directly and wholly. If our brother will just stir up the Ottawa people—and they can be stirred up though they may need a good deal of stirring—the result will be productive of much good to the cause down there. As Secretary of this Association I would just like to have two weeks at them, and if you can make arrangements for me to go down I will go. I have been working around the city—I do not want to go into the city first, because I know Ottawa too well for that—but I think if we could get the fire pretty well lighted all around, it would alarm them. The County of Lanark is alive to the work and will move this winter. The County of Dundas is also alive and will move. So that the fire is working in that direction, and you had better look out. Perhaps I ought to report also on behalf of the County of Brant. I had a letter from the Secretary of that county, and I may state that Brant is still alive. They held their annual Convention there last May, and arrangements have been made for Institute work all over the County of Brant,